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BROADWAY MERCHANTS RETAIN EXPERIENCED LAWYERS.

One Firm Employed by Them Saved Broadway in 1895—Court Then Agreed With the Business Men-May Have to Battle at Albany Against the Ditchers.

The transformation of every subway ditch into a mud creek by yesterday's deluge gave point to the employment in the morning by the Broadway Merchants' Association of counsel to fight any ditching of Broadway. The association retained the law firms of Zabriskie, Burrill & Murray and Goodwin, Thompson & Vanderpoel, to take such legal action as may be necessary to save New York's main thoroughfare from the chaos and the vicissitudes of mud and dust that have prevailed for the last four years along the route of the subway. Some one else has also been retained but who this some one is, except that "he is very prominent in politics and diplo-

macy," would not be told. "He is to be kept in the background until we need him, either here in the courts or at Albany in the Legislature," said one of the

Zabriskie, Burrill & Murray are old ditch warriors. They have had one joust with Ditcher Parsons and scored a victory. In 1895 the present Board of Rapid Transis

Commissioners, under the lead of Engineer Parsons, laid out a ditch route in Broadway from the Battery to Harlem. Then, as now, the owners and tenants along Broadway saw that the execution of any such plan meant destruction of their vested interests. An association was formed, and Zabriskie, Burrill & Murray were retained.

Then, as now, in spite of the strongest opposition from owners and merchants who represented millions of dollars. Parsons and his board tried to force the plan through. The matter was taken to the courts. A Supreme Court commission was appointed, with Frederic R. Coudert as

chairman.

It took four months to fight the matter out in the courts. Engineer Parsons appeared as the chief witness for the ditch, his contention being that the Broadway route was the only one practicable from an engineering or a business point of view.

The lawyers for the opposition showed by the testimony of expert after expert that the damage that would be done to property and business interests during the construction from Chambers street to Fourteenth street alone would be sufficient Fourteenth street alone would be sufficient to pay the cost of the entire line, \$50,000,000

The court commission reported in favor of the adoption of the route, but when the report cameibefore the court for confirmation the property owners and merchants were sustained and the route rejected.

J. Archibald Murray, one of the members

of the firm, said last night to a Sun reporter:

"As yet it is impossible to say just what our plan of action will be, as no definite plans have yet been made by the Board of Rapid Transit. So far, everything is mere

"But you may rely upon it that in case the board attempts to put through any plan for an open ditch subway along Broad-way we will fight it from beginning to

end.

"New York has already had a painful illustration of what that kind of construction means and of how the contractors and sub-contractors live up to the clauses that were inserted in the contract for such little protection of abutting owners and tenants as even the open ditch construction permits. Our association is going to see that New York's main thoroughfare has no such affliction thrust upon it."

Edward Hatch, Jr., of Lord & Taylor, waid:

The platform of the Broadway Merchants' Association has but one plank, and that is: 'No open ditch subway for us.' We have no objection to the deep tunnel

We have no objection to the deep tunnel plan of construction.

"We are advised that we have excellent grounds in both law and equity for fighting the ditching method. If necessary, we are prepared to go to Albany to fight any legislation that may be attempted in favor of an open ditch."

COURT APPOINTS A GUESSER.

He's to Guess Whether Arthur Beckwith Died Before or After Leonard. When did Arthur Beckwith, artist and son

of Nelson M. Beckwith, die? Surrogate Thomas yesterday directed James Yer rance, a transfer tax appraiser, to discover the answer and report it to the court. Arthur Beckwith disappeared from the

Sanford Hall Asylum in Flushing in November, 1894, and has never since been heard from. He has been declared legally dead. He and his brother Leonard, together with He and his brother Leonard, together with a sister, Helene, now the wife of Francis Dudley Leigh, second son of Lord Leigh of Stoneleigh, England, inherited their father's estate, valued at about \$2,000,000.

Leonard Beckwith was adjudged insane in 1893, and died two years later, leaving a wife and several children. Most of Leonard's fortune had been dissipated, and the nursargus judgments against him almost

nufterous judgments against him almost bankrupted the estate.

His children are seeking to share in their nole's estate, and to that end their counsel, Jabish Holmes, Jr., is anxious to have it declared that Arthur died before Leonard, as in that event the children will get a much larger share than otherwise

Robbed Her Babe of Its Name. Supreme Court Justice Smith in Brooklyn yesterday granted an interlocutory decre of absolute divorce to Henry W. Crane from Elizabeth Crane. Witnesses testified that Mrs. Crane was living with Allen White as his wife, and a physician testified that he had been called in to attend the defendant, who told him that White was the father of her child. Justice Smith directed that the illegitimacy of the child be mentioned in the integrent.

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To the Governess and the Brother-in-Law It Seemed Low and Open, to Lieut. Reynolds It Was High and Proper-A

Midnight Call-The Woman's Defence

Mrs. Agnes Wheeler Hughes's pink silk wrapper was the principal subject of contention again yesterday at the trial of the suit for absolute divorce brought by Rupert Hughes, the sculptor-poet. The wrapper was described on Thursday by a French governess who was in the Hughes household, and her characterization of it as being low cut and very open in front was corroborated yesterday by Herbert Witherspoon, a concert singer, a brother-in-law of Hughes

Later in the day Lieut. William Herbert Reynolds, U. S. N., one of the eight core-Reynolds, U. S. N., one of the eight corespondents, undertook to amend this description, he affirming that the wrapper
was high in the neck, well fastened down
the front and ornamented with a lace
collar and that it reached to the ground.
Witherspoon, who used to sing in the
Castle Square Opera Company and who is
married to a sister of Hughes, testified
that he and his wife called one evening
at the Hughes apartment after returning that he and his wife called one evening at the Hughes apartment after returning from the theatre. They could get no answer to their ringing at first.

Just as they were about to depart Mrs.

Hughes came to the door. She had on the famous wrapper, and, as Witherspoon believes, only bath slippers and no stockings

on her feet.

The Witherspoons saw Lieut. Reynolds standing in the private hall of the apartment, and the situation proved so embarrassing all around that the Witherspoons simply murmured "good night" and went away. Hughes was then in Keokuk, Ia., visiting his father.

Lawyer Spalding opened his defence of Mrs. Hughes by calling Lieut. Reynolds. The witness said he was 29 years old and had been in the navy for ten years. It was at a dinner party on the battleship Texas that he first met Mr. and Mrs. Hughes. He became very friendly with them, so much so that they called one another by their given names.

much so that they called one another by their given names.

Reynolds gave his testimony in a diffident, nervous and, at times, stammering manner, blushing like a schoolboy.

"The wrapper," he said, "was long and trimmed with a lace yoke. It touched the ground, and was perfectly conventional and proper in every way. I have seen similar gowns worn very often when I have called at other houses."

The direct examination of Reynolds

have called at other houses."

The direct examination of Reynolds ended with his denial that he had ever kissed or hugged Mrs. Hughes or had any improper relations with her. On crossexamination it came out that he had corresponded with her a good deal, even when she was in London and he in China. She addressed him is her letters at Mrs.

sed him in her letters as "My dear Count."

The trial will be continued on Monday.



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Mrs. Clara Myers of 86 Ridge street, who complained to Commissioner Greene on Monday that the police were persecuting her, was sent to Blackwell's Island for six months yesterday by Magistrate Ommen in the Essex Market court on the charge of running a disorderly house in a tenement. Dora Cohen, 28 years old, and Fannie Weisberger, 31 years old, inmates of the house were sentenced to like terms. When Mrs. Myers went to Commissione Greene she said that detectives of the Fift

street station had attempted to blackmail her. She said she kept a respectable res-taurant in East Fourth street and that the police had threatened to close the place police had threatened to close the place if she did not pay for the privilege of keep-

Tuesday morning.

According to the police, the woman's house is but one of scores of resorts that have reopened in the Red Light district as restaurants or "cider stoops."

Binghamton Opera House Burned. BINGHAMTON, N. Y., Oct. 9 .- The Stone Opera House here was destroyed by fire at about 2 o'clock this morning. The building, which is twelve years old, was com-pletely gutted, and the loss is estimated

pletely gutted, and the loss is estimated at \$125,000, only a small part of which is covered by insurance.

Paul Gilmore's company played "The Mummy and the Humming Bird" at the opera house last night. The scenery and other effects had been removed only an hour before the flames were discovered.

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THE METROPOLIS DELUGED-Photographs taken yesterday morning showing how the greatest rainfall in the history of the city turned some of the streets into running streams. Commuters being ferried on trucks across West street.

THE SENATOR AND HIS BRIDE-A half page picture illustrative of a very interesting wedding to occur soon,

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